TOP 10 SAFETY AND DISPLAY ISSUES AT GNOSEF THAT DELAY PROJECT REGISTRATION AT CHECK IN

Please share the Safety and Display Requirements Checklist with all students and their parents to avoid any issues on setup day. Any issues found will require corrections/ revision which may cause damage to the display boards if items need to be removed, sections covered, pictures removed, etc.

The following are the top issues encountered on setup day:

1. **The board or display contains items not allowed on display.**
2. **A**bstract absent or not on the proper form or is attached to the display board (should be on table, not board).
3. Photographs, charts, graphs, tables, graphics, etc. on display board are not properly credited.
4. Student's school name, acknowledgements or previous school fair numbers are located on the board (may be on the abstract).
5. Photos on the display board of persons other than of the competing student (requires photo releases for all minors other than entrant).
6. Student displays brand names or images in product testing.
7. Project display requires electricity which the student has not requested in advance.
8. Student has CD, DVD, video or other multimedia to play as part of display.
9. Project display does not fit in allotted space on the table provided (new depth requirement is 24").
10. Objects accompanying projects do not fit in the space allocated on the table.

SOLUTIONS

1. See the list at https://student.societyforscience.org/intel-isef-display-and-safety-regulations#disreg for items not allowed. Common display problems involve glass or sharp items, food, water, plant or other living materials, soil, sand or rock materials and anything that has come in contact with a chemical used. Remember: you can still display a photo or a diagram of a setup or of equipment that might be a safety issue.
2. Print abstract on the current year official ISEF 22 category form and display these on the table in front of display board.
3. Remove or cover all student or school identifiers, acknowledgements and remove any numbers or categories from the school level fairs. Be sure to cover or remove name or school identifiers on the back of the board also.
4. Properly credit photos, INCLUDING **graphs and charts** (ex. "All photographs, graphs, charts created by student" printed somewhere on the board or proper citations listed.) Photos must be deemed appropriate and not offensive according to ISEF guidelines.
5. Photos not of the student presenting the project must have signed photo releases available. If the photo contains a minor (under 18), the release must be signed by the parent or guardian.
6. Use generic designation for brand names tested (Brand A, B, C) on the display and in the abstract and research paper. Do not display photographs that represent brand names of items.
7. If you absolutely need electricity as part of your display, be sure to request in advance. Once the project numbers are assigned, those requesting electricity are located in those restricted areas of the fair site that have electricity available.
8. Students are permitted to use CD, DVD, video or other multimedia for judging if necessary but a Safety and Display judge must preview the entire CD, DVD, or other multimedia display before the safety and display check is completed for final approval.
9. All displays must meet the ISEF/GNOSEF size restrictions:
   - **Depth** (front to back): 24 inches
   - **Width** (side to side): 48 inches
   - **Height** (floor to top): 108 inches (remember to add the 30" height of the table in your calculations)
10. Objects brought to display with the project boards must fit within the same guidelines as the display (see #9). These may not be placed on the floor in front of the tables or under the tables.

The following will be helpful to have on hand if you need to make Setup Day corrections for Safety and Display judges: Markers, pens, tape, correction fluid/tape, stapler, blank paper, glue.